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(U) Board Decision — 21 January 2010 — “Classroom Use Only” does not apply to course materials by current employees and contractors

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(U//~~AWO~~) Issue: Current policy – It is proper for the Board to require “classroom use only” when approving an academic manuscript by a current employee or current contractor who is a student in a course – due to “appropriateness” issues.

Questions: Is it also proper for the Board to require “classroom use only” when approving course materials by a current employee or current contractor who is teaching a course – due to “appropriateness” issues? In the case of teaching a course, in addition to classified information, should “inappropriate” information also require deletion?

(U//~~AWO~~) Decision: Board unanimously agreed that course materials by a current employee or contractor teaching a course are to be reviewed for classification and appropriateness (like any other manuscript). Deletions due to appropriateness may be required in such cases and “classroom use only” will not be considered when inappropriate material is identified within the manuscript. “Classroom use only” is an accommodation granted to students who are required, within a restricted academic setting, to take an otherwise potentially inappropriate position to meet certain academic requirements. Due to a teacher’s role of authority in an academic setting, he/she will not be able to easily distance himself/herself from any inappropriate remarks during presentations nor limit the

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sharing, or other means of capturing the teacher's presentation. Therefore, the PRB's standard of review for current employees or contractors teaching in an academic setting will be for classified and inappropriate material, without consideration of a “classroom use only” waiver.

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